

**The acte concernyng the Subsidie
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We the kynges maiesties moſte humble ſeithfull and obedient ſubiectes, the lordes ſpirituall and temporal, and the commons in this preſent parliament aſſembled, prudently calling to our remembraunce, how longe we haue enioyed the ſpeciall grace and bleſſing of god, before al other nations of the worlde, hauing continued and prospered now theſe many yeres vnder ſo godly and vertuous a prince, whole moſt excellent vertue and wiſedome, beſides other his innumerable benefites conferred to this realme, hath conſerued vs in tranquillitee and peace, euen from the begynnyng of his reigne vntill now of late, this his highneſſe hath ben compelled for God, his frendes, and his owne cauſes, to moue warre in one place, and to defende in an other, agaynſt thauſient enemies of this realme, as well the frenche men as the ſcottes: And alſo conſiderynge the infinite coſtes and charges whiche his highneſſe hath neceſſarily ſuſtained both by ſea and by lande, for the ſuretee comfort and ſaluegarde of vs his naturall and ſeithfull ſubiectes, agaynſt the mayne force and violence of our ſaid enemies, who agaynſt all honour and ſeith have attempted to make diuers and ſundry inuaſions, ſpoiles burnynges and depopulations in this his maiesties realme of Englande, and other his highneſſe dominions: the force and malice wherof not withſtandynge, we the people of this his realme, haue for the moſte parte of vs, ſo lyued vnder his maiesties ſure protection, and dooe yet ſo lyue out of all feare and daunger, as if there were no warre at all, euen as the ſuall fiſhes of the ſea, in the moſte tempeſtuous and ſtormie weather do lie quietly vnder the rocke or banke ſyde, and are not moued with the ſourges of the waſer, nor ſtirred out of their quiette place, howe ſo euer the wynde bloweth: we can not for our moſt bounden duities, but knowlage and coſeſſe our ſelues to haue and enioye vnder his highneſſe, and by his moſte graciouſe and godly regiment, all that euer we haue in this worlde, rendyng vnto his maiestee next god our moſte humble and immortal thanks, with our moſte humble ſute and lowly praier on our knees, that it maie pleaſe the ſame to perſeuer in ſtudyng and carryng for vs, who beyng left to our ſelues, are not able to continue one daye in ſuche ſorte as his highneſſe hath preſerued vs almoſte theſe forty yeres. And al be it we haue nothyng woorthie wherewithall to recompence any parte of his maiesties infinite goodneſſe, ſundrye ways heretofore declared towarde vs, yet to ſhewe our ſelves mindfull of our moſt bounden duities towardes his maiestee, our moſte gracions and dread ſoueraigne lord: And likewyſe in conſideracion of his maiesties more than fatherly affection towardes vs his graces poore ſubiectes, hathe not hitherto for the ſuretie and defence of vs, our wyues and children, eyther ſpared to employ his moſte roiall perſon, or to conſume his owne treaſure and poſſeſſions, we
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haue consulted together and determined, for a remembrance and declaration of our good willes and thankfull myndes againe towarde his maiestee, to beseeche his maiestee most humbly, to accepte and graciously to receiue at our handes the simple token or gyfte, whiche we do herewith present to his maiestee in wytyng, freely with one assent grauntynge the same, most humbly beseechynge his maiestee to accepte the same, as a poore token of our true and feithfull hertes towarde hym, as it pleased the great kyng Alexander to receiue thankfully a cuppe of water of a poore man by the high waie syde: And that this our graunt herein maie be ratified and confirmed by his maiesties roial assent, so to be enacted and auctorised by vertue of this present parliament, as in suche cases heretofore hath ben accustomed. And for as muche as our habilitie doeth want, we wol praie daily to almighty god, to supply towarde his maiestee for vs, remainyng (durynge our liues) his true feithfull and obedient subiectes, euer readie with bodie and gooddes to serue the same from tyme to tyme, accordyng to our moste bounden duties.

¶ Wherefore we the saied lordes and commons dooe by our mutuall assentes and agreementes, with one hole voyce and hartly good wyll, by chauctoritee of this present parliament, geue and graunt to the kynges highnesse towarde his foresaied great costes and inestimable charges, two hole .xv. and .x. to be had paid taken and leuied of the moueable goddes cattalles and other thynges vsuall to suche .xv. and .x. to be contributory and chargeable within the shires, cities, boroughes, townes and other places of this his realme, in maner and fourme afoze tyme vled: Excepte the summe of twelue thousande pounde therof fully to bee deducted, That is to saie, sixe thousande pounde of either of the saied holle .xv. and .x. of the summe that a .xv. and .x. attaineth vnto, in reliefe comforte and discharge of the poore townes cities and boroughes of this his saied realme, wasted desolate or destroyed, or ouergreately impouerished, after suche rate, as was and hath afoze this tyme be had and made vnto euery shire, and to be deuided in suche maner and fourme, as heretofore for one hole .xv. and .x. was had and deuided. And the saied two hole .xv. and .x. (the excepcions and deductions aforesaied ther vpon had deducted and allowed) to be paid in maner and fourme folowynge: That is to saie, the firste holle .xv. and .x. to be paid to his highnesse in the receipte of his Eschequer befoze the last daie of June next comynge: The second holle .xv. and .x. to bee paid to his highnes at the receipte of his saied eschequer befoze the laste daie of June, in the yere of our lord God, that shall bee a thousande five hundredth fortie and seuen.

¶ And be it further enacted by the auctoritee aforesaied, that the knightes elected and retourned of and for the shires within this realme, for this present parliament, citizens of citees, and burgeses of boroughes and townes, where collectors haue bene vled to be named and appoynted for the collection of any .xv. and .x. befoze this tyme graunted, shall name

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name and appoynte yerely before the laste date of Januarie nexte coming, sufficient and able persons, for the collection of the saied. xv. and. x. in euery of the saied shires cities boroughes and townes, the saied persons then hauyng landes tenementes and other hereditamentes in his owne ryghte, of the yerely value of .x. li. or in goodes worthe. C. m. at the leaste. And also suche person or persons, so by theim to be named and appointed for the collection of the saied. xv. and. x. shall be by them seuerally appoynted and allotted into hundreides, rapes, wapentakes, citiees, boroughes and townes. And also the saied persons so named and appointed for the collection of the same. xv. and. x. shall be charged and chargeable vpon his or their accompte or accomptes in the eschequer to be made with all suche summe or summes of money, as the hundreides rapes wapentakes citiees boroughes and townes, where he or they shall so happen to be appoynted, amounte vnto, and of no moze summe or summes: And vpon the paiement of such summes of money, as he shall be charged with, shall be discharged and haue his Quietus est: the non accomptyng or non paiement of any other his felowes, or the insufficiencie of theim or any of theim not withstanding. And the names and surnames of euery of the saied collectours for the saied. xv. and. x. together with the place allotted to their collection and charge, the saied knyghtes citifens and burgeses for the shires cities and boroughes, wherunto they be elected named and returned, shall certify euery yere, duryng the saied two yeres, before the kyng in his Chancery yerely before the last date of februarie then next folowynge accordyng to the tenour of this acte. And if defaute of any suche certifying be had or made, in fourme as is abovesaid: then the lord Chauncellour of England for the tyme beyng, shall immediatly after, name and appoynte collectours for the collection of the same two. xv. and. x. in maner and forme as the saied knyghtes of the shyre, citifens of citiees, and burgeses of boroughes shulde haue done, and as aforetyme haue been vsed. The which saied collectours and euery of theim, shall haue like allowaunces vpon their accomptes, for their fees wages and rewardes for the collection of the saied. xv. and. x. in as large maner and fourme, as any collectour or collectours of. xv. and. x. haue had at any season in tyme paste. And also that no collectours, that shall be so named and charged for the collection of any of the saied. xv. and. x. shall be named collectours or charged with the residue of the saied. xv. and. x. And that the barons of the kynges eschequer, for the tyme beyng, shall and maie frome tyme to tyme award such proseses for the speedy paiement therof, against the collectour and collectours of the same, as by their discretions shall be thoughte convenient.

Provided alwaie and be it enacted, by the auctoritee of this presente parliament, that the saied lord Chauncellour, knyghtes of the shyre, citifens of citiees, and burgeses of boroughes townes and other places, hauyng auctoritee by this act to name & nominate the saied collectours of or

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for the saied two holle. xv. and. x. and of euery of theim: Shall vpon their nomination and election had and made, take by auctoritee of this present parliament sufficient recognisances, or by obligacion of euery persone so by theim to be named, to be bounden to the kyng in the double summe of the summe of their collection, and to be endorced vpon such condicion, that if the saied collectour or collectours doo truely content and paie to the vse of the kyng in his receipt of his eschequer, befoze the saied laste daie of June than nexte ensuyng, so muche of the summe of money allotted and appoynted to his collection, as he the same collectour hath collected and gathered: and do likewise befoze the saied last daie of the moneth of June, content and paie to the kynges vse, at the same receipte, the residue of his collection and charge, within one moneth next after suche tyme as he shall haue gathered and collected the same residue, that then the saied recognisance or obligacion to be voyd, or elles to stand in his full strength and vertue: which recognisances or obligacion so taken, the saied knyghtes of the Shire citisens and burgeses, and euery of theim, takyng any suche recognisances or obligacion, shall certifie and deliuer to the lord Treasorer and barons of the same Eschequer verely, durynge the saied two yeres befoze the said last daie of June than next insuyng, vpon peyne of forfaiture of. x. li. to the kyng for euery recognisance or obligacion so to bee taken and not certified. And that euery suche collectour, vpon requeste to hym made, shall make and knowelage the same recognisance or obligacion accordyngly, vpon like peine and forfaiture of. x. li. to the kyng for his refusell therof. And that the tresorer or barons of the eschequer, vpon the paiement of the same collection, or at the saied daie, shall cancell and deliuer the saied recognisance or obligacion to the saied collectour or collectours, without any fee or rewarde to be paid to any person for the same.

AND we the saied lordes spirituall and tempozal and commons of this present parliament assembled, right well perceiuyng the said two holle. xv. and. x. now graunted to his highnesse, as is afoze saied, to extende to a small summe of money, and nothyng sufficient to accomplishe the charges of the saied warres, and other the kynges mooste pryncely affaires, for the defence of vs the kynges mooste louyng subiectes, we the saied lordes and commons, most entierly with good herte and mynde dooe geue and graunt to the kynges highnesse, towarde his foresaied greatte coostes and inestimable charges, one entier Subsidie, to continue by the space of two yeres to be rated rated leuied and paid of euery persone spirituall and tempozall, of what estate or degree he bee of, accordyng to the tenour of this acte, in maner and fourme folowynge: That is to saie, verely durynge the same two yeres, of euery person, as well suche as be bozne, vnder the kynges obeyssaunce, and euery other persone, straunger bozne, denysen or not denysen, beyng ressaunte within this realme of Englande, wales, or other the kynges dominions, as all and euery fraternitees, guildes, corporacions, misteries, brotherheddes, and communitiees, cor-
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porated or not corporated, within Englands waales and other the kynges dominions, beyng worthe . b. li. and vnder . x. li. for every pounce, as well in copne, and the value of every pounce, that every suche person fraternite guilde corporacion mysterie brotherhedde and comminaltee corporate or not corporate, hath of his or their owne, or any other to his or their ble, as also plate, stocke of marchaundises, all maner of cornes and blades, household stuffe, and of all other gooddes moueable, as well within this realme, as without, and of all suche summes of money as to him or them is owyng, wherof he or they truste in his or their conscience suerly to be payed (Except and of the premisses deducted suche summes of money as he or they owe, and in his or their conscience truly intendeth to paie, And excepte also the apparell of suche persons their wyues and children, belonging to their owne bodies, sauynge iewels, gold, syluer, stone, and perle) eight pence of and for every pounce. And also of every person as well suche as be bozne vnder the kynges obeysance, and every other person stranger bozne, denisen or not denisen, resiant within this realme of Englands, waales or other the kynges dominions, as all and every corporacion fraternitee, guilde, mysterie, brotherhedde, and comminaltee corporate or not corporate, beyng worthe . x. li. in gooddes, as is afore specified, and vnder the value of . xx. li. shall paie verely durynge the saied two yerres, for every pounce . xii. d. And likewise every person, as well suche as be bozne vnder the kynges obeysance, and every other persone stranger bozne, denisen or not denisen, as every corporacion fraternitee guilde mysterie brotherhed and comminaltee corporate or not corporate, beyng worthe in gooddes, as is aboue said . xx. li. and so vpwarde in gooddes, as is before said, shall paie verely durynge the saied two yerres . xvi. d. of and for every pounce.

AND BE it further enacted by the auctoritee afore said, that every persone, as well suche as be bozne vnder the kynges obeysance, and every other persone stranger bozne, beyng denisen or not denisen, as every corporacion fraternitee guilde mysterie brotherhed and comminaltee corporate or not corporate, verely durynge the saied two yerres, shall paie for every pounce, that every the same persone, bozne vnder the kynges obeysance, and every person stranger bozne, and every corporacion fraternitee guilde mysterie brotherhed and comminaltee corporate or not corporate or any other to his or their ble hath in fee simple, fee taile, for terme of lyfe, terme of yerres, by execution, wardeshipp, copie of courte rolle, or at will, of and in any honours castelles manours landes tenementes rentes seruices hereditamentes annuitees fees cotrodies or other verely profite of the verely value of twenty shyllynge, and so vpwarde, two shyllynge of and for every pounce. And that all summes presented and chargeable by this act either for gooddes and dettes, or for landes and tenementes and the other premisses, as is in this acte contained, and beyng no full poundes, shall be verely durynge the saied two yerres, rated sette and taxed after

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the rate and porcion therof, accoꝝdyng to the true meanyng of this acte (landes and tenementes chargeable to the disme of the clergy, and yerely wages due to seruauntes for their yerely seruice, beyng of the summe of fourtie shillinges oꝝ vnder and not aboue, onely excepted and forpysed. And that all plate coyne iewels gooddes debtes and cattalles personals beyng in the rule and custodie of any person oꝝ persons, to the vse of any person oꝝ phane, oꝝ of any coꝝporacion fraternite guilde misterie brothehed oꝝ any comminalltie beyng coꝝporate oꝝ not coꝝparate, be and shall bee rated sette and charged by reason of this act, as the value certified by the presentours of that certificat to be sworne of euery pounce in gooddes and debtes as is abouesaid: And of euery pounce in landes tenementes annitees fees coꝝrodies oꝝ other yerely pꝛofittes, as is abouesaid. And the summes that are befoꝝe reherled, sette and taxed, to be leuied and taken of them, that shall haue suche gooddes in custodie, oꝝ otherwise charged for landes as is befoꝝe reherled: And the same person oꝝ persones, and body coꝝporate, by the auctoꝝitee of this acte, shall be discharged agaynst hym oꝝ them, that shall oꝝ ought to haue the same at the tyme of the paiement oꝝ deliueꝝy thereof, oꝝ at his otherwise departure from the custodie oꝝ possession of the same. Except and alwaies forpysed from the charge and asselement of this subsidie, all gooddes cattalles iewelles and ornaments of churches and chappelles, ordeined and bled in churches oꝝ chappels for the honour and seruice of almighty god. And the said subsidie shall be by thauctoꝝitee abouesaid taxed allested and rated accoꝝdyng to this acte, in euery shire ridyng lathe wapentake rape citec boꝝoughe towne and euery other place within this realme of Englaund and waales & other the kynges dominions, befoꝝe the. xii. daie of february yerely. And the particular summes of euery shyre ridyng boꝝough towne and other places afoꝝesaid, with the particular names of suche as are chargeable of and to the sayd subsidie, to be taxed and set by commissyoners to the same limited, oꝝ two of them at the leaste, with the names of the high collectours, and in the same forme shall be certified yerely duryng the said two yeres, in the kynges eschequer, befoꝝe the. x. daie of Marche, with the names of the high collectours of the same. And the sayd summes, in maner and forme afoꝝesaid taxed, shall be yerely paid into the kynges receipt of his Eschequer afoꝝesaid, to the vse of our said soueraigne loꝝde, in euery of the said two yeres, befoꝝe the fyꝛst daie of Aprill, duryng the said two yeres. And the summes aboue said, of and for the said subsidie, shall be taxed set asked & demaunded taken gathered leuied and paid vnto the vse of our said soueraigne loꝝde, his heꝛes and succellours, in forme aboue said, as well within the liberties fraunchises sanctuaries auncient demeane and other what so euer place exempt oꝝ not exempt, as without. Except such shires places and persons, as shall be forpysed in and by this present acte: any graunt, charter, pꝛescripcion, vse oꝝ libertee by reason of any letters patentes oꝝ other pꝛiuillege pꝛescripcion allowance of the same

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¶ AND IT IS further enacted by the auctoritee of this present parliament, that euery suche person, as well suche as be boꝛne vnder the kynges obeyssaunce, as euery other person stranger boꝛne, denisen oꝛ not denisen, inhabityng within this realme, oꝛ within wales, oꝛ other the kynges domynions, whiche at the tyme of the saied assessyng oꝛ taxacion yerely to be had oꝛ made, shal be out of this realme, and out of wales, and haue gooddes oꝛ cattalles, landes oꝛ tenementes, fees oꝛ annuities, oꝛ other pꝛofites within this realme oꝛ in wales, shal be charged and chargeable foꝛ the same, by the certificat of the inhabitantes of the parties, where such gooddes cattalles landes tenementes oꝛ other the pꝛemisses than shal bee, oꝛ in suche other place where suche person oꝛ his factour deputie oꝛ attorney shal haue his moſte resoꝛte vnto within this realme, oꝛ in wales, in like maner as if the same person were oꝛ had been at the tyme of the same assessing within this realme. And that euery person, abydyng oꝛ dwellyng within this realme, oꝛ without this realme, shal be charged and chargeable to the same subsidie graunted by this acte, accoꝛdyng and after the rate of suche yerely substaunce oꝛ value of landes and tenementes gooddes cattals and other the pꝛemisses, as euery person so to be charged shal be set at, in the tyme of the saied assessyng oꝛ taxacion vpon him to be made, and in none otherwise.

¶ And furthermore bee it enacted, by the auctoritee aforesaid, that foꝛ the assessyng and oꝛderyng of the saied subsidie to bee due-ly hadde, the loꝛde Chauncellour of Englande, the loꝛde Treasourer of Englande, the loꝛde Pꝛesident of the kynges mooste honorable counsell, and the loꝛde pꝛiue seale, foꝛ the tyme beyng, oꝛ two of them at the leaſte, wherof the loꝛde Chauncellour of Englande foꝛ the tyme beyng to be one of them, shal and maie name and appoint of and foꝛ euery shire and rydyng and other places, as wel within this realme as in wales, and other the kynges domynions; and also of and foꝛ euery citie and towne, beyng a countie in it selfe, and of and foꝛ the Isle of wight, suche certayne numbꝛe of persons of euery of the same shires rydynges lathes wapentakes rapes cities townes and Isle of wight, and euery other place, and other the inhabitauntes of the same, to be commissioners within the same, wherof they be inhabitauntes of the same: And also of and foꝛ the honorable householdes of the kyng our soueraigne loꝛde, the queene, and the pꝛynce, certayne heade officers of the same, to bee commissioners of the same householdes, in what shires oꝛ other places the saied householders shal happen than to bee. And the loꝛde Chauncellour, and other with hym befoꝛe named, in lyke maner maie name and appoint of euery other suche boꝛoughe and towne coꝛpoꝛate, as well in Englande as in wales, and oꝛther the kynges domynions, as thei shal thinke requisite, sixe fye foure theꝛe oꝛ two of the head officers, and other sad and honest inhabitantes of euery

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euery of the said citees boroughes and towne corporate, according to the nombre and multitude of people being in the same: The whiche persons, if any suche be therunto named of the said inhabitantes of the said boroughes and towne corporate, not being countie in them selves, shalbe ioyned and put as commissioners with the persons named for suche shires & ridynges, as the said boroughes and towne corporate, not being countie in them selves, be sette and haue their being: which persons so named for and of the said boroughes and towne corporate, not being countie, by reason of their dwelling in the same, shal not take vpon them, ne none of them, to put any parte of their commission in execution for the premises out of the said borough or towne corporate, wherein they being so named, onely for the same, bee dwelling. And also not to execute the said commission within the borough or towne corporate, where they be so dwelling, but ioynly with thre at the least of the other commissioners within the shire or ridyng, and in that commission, wherein they be so dwelling, at suche daies and tymes, as the said other commissioners for the same shire and ridyng, shal therunto limite and appoint within the same borough or towne corporate, not being countie corporate, wherof they so be, and not out of suche borough or towne: And in that maner to bee adydng and assystng with the said other commissioners, in and for the good executyng of the effecte of the said commission, vpon peyn of euery of the said commissioners so named for euery such cite borough and towne corporate, not being a countie, to make suche fine, as the said other commissioners in the commission of and for the said shire or ridyng so named, or thre of them at the least, shal by their discrecons sette and certifie into the kynges Eschequer, there to be leuied to the vse of our soueraigne lord the kyng, in like maner as suche or lyke summes had ben sette and rated vpon euery suche person for the said subsidie. The which commissioners so named of and for the said citees boroughes and towne, not being countie, and onely put in the said commission by reason of their dwelling in the same, shal not haue any parte of the porcion of the fees and rewardes for the commissioners and their clerkes in this acte afterwarde specified. And the Chauncellour of Englande, or keper of the kynges greateseale, for the tyme being, shal make and dyrect out of the courte of chancerie, vnder the kynges great seale, seuerall commissions, that is to saie, to euery shire ridyng lath wapentake rape cite towne borough Ile and householde, vnto suche person and persones, as by his discrecion and other with him afore appoynted and named, in like maner and forme as is afore reherfed, shal be thought sufficient for the sellng and leuyng of the said subsidie, in all shires and places, according to the true meaning of this acte: whiche commission shal be directed and deliuered to the said commissioners, or to one of them, before the. iiii. daie of Januarie, nextly durynge the said two yerres: and to euery of the said commissions ten seditules, conteynyng in them the tenour of this acte, shal bee affyled. By the

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the whiche commission the commissioners in euery suche commission named, accoꝝdyng to this acte, oꝝ as many of them as shall be appointed by the kynges commission, shall haue full power and auctozitee to put the effecte of the same commission in execution. And that by auctozitee of this acte, after suche commission to them dyrected yerely durynge the saied two yeres, they maie by theyꝝ assentes and agreementes seuer theim seiues foꝝ the execution of their commission, in hundꝝedes lathes wardes rapes wapentakes townes parishes and other places within the limittes of their saied commission, in suche fourme as to them shall seme expedient to be oꝝdered, and betwene theim to be communed and agreed, accoꝝdyng to the tenure and effecte of the commission to theim therein directed: Upon whiche seuerance euery person of this pꝛesent parliamente that shall be commissioner, shall be assigned in the hundꝝede wherin he dwelleth.

¶ **PROVIDED** alwaies, that no person be oꝝ shall be compelled to be any commissioner to and foꝝ the execution of this pꝛesent acte, but onely in the shire where he dwelleth and inhabiteth: and that any persone beyng assigned to the contrary therof, in any wise shall not be compelled to put in execution the effect of this acte, oꝝ any parte therof.

¶ **AND IT IS** also enacted by the auctozitee of this pꝛesent parliament, that the commissioners, and euery of them, which shall be named limited and apoynted accoꝝdyng to this act, to be commissioners in euery such shire ridynge, lathes, wapentake, rape, citie, towne, boꝝoughe, Isle, and the saied householdes oꝝ any other place, and none other, shall truely effectually and diligently foꝝ their parte, execute the effect of this pꝛesent acte, accoꝝdyng to the tenour therof in euery behalfe, and none other wise by any other meanes, without omission fauour dread malice oꝝ any other thyng to bee attempted and done by theim oꝝ any of theim to the contrarie hereof. And the saied commissioners oꝝ as many of them as shall be apoynted by the saied commission and none other, foꝝ the execution of the saied commission and acte, shall yerely durynge the saied two yeres befoꝝe the .xvi. daie of Januarie, by vertue of the commissions deliuered vnto theim in fourme aboue saied, directe their seuerall oꝝ ioynte pꝛecepte vnto .viii. vii. vi. v. iiii. oꝝ thꝛee oꝝ mo, as foꝝ the nombꝛe of the inhabitantes shall be requisite, of the moꝝte substantiall discrete and honest persons inhabitantes to be named by the saied commissioners, oꝝ by as many of them as shall be apoynted by the saied commission of and in hundꝝedes lathes rapes wapentakes wardes parishes townes and other places, as well within liberties frauncheles auncient demeanes places exempted and laynctuaries as without, within the limittes of the shires ridynge lathes wapentakes rapes cities townes boꝝoughes oꝝ Isle afoꝝesaied, and other places within the limittes of their commission, and to the constables subconstables bailiffes and other lyke officers oꝝ ministers of euery of the saied hundꝝedes townes wardes lathes wapentakes parishes and other places befoꝝe saied, as to the saied commissioners and euery nombꝛe of them vnto thꝛee

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thre of them by their discrecion in diuision, shall seme expedient, as by the maner and vse of that parties shall be requisite, straitly by the same precept chargyng and commaundyng the same inhabitantes constables and other officers aforesaid, to whome suche precept shall be so dyrected, to appere in their propre persons befoze the saied commissioners, or suche nombze of them as they shall deuide them selves, according to the tenour of the saied commission, at certaine daies and places by the saied commissioners or any nombze of them, as is aboue saied, within cities boroughes or townes corporate or without in any other place as is aforesaid, by theyr discrecions shall be lymitted therunto, to do and accomplyshe all that to them on the parte of our soueraigne lord the kyng shall be enioyned touchyng this acte: commaundyng further by the same precepte, that he, to whose handes suche precepte shall come, shall shewe or delyuer the same to the other inhabitauntes or officers named in the same precepte, and that none of them faile to accomplyshe the same, vpon peine of fortye shyllynges to be forfeited to the kyng.

AND IT IS further ordeined by the saied auctoritee of this parliament, that the saied daie and place prefixed and limited in the saied preceptes, euery of the commissioners then beyng in the shire, and hauyng no sufficient excuse for his absence shall at the saied daie and place prefixed for that parte where vnto he was lymitted, appere in his propre person, and there the same commissioners beyng present, or as many as shall bee appoynted by the kynges commission, shall cal or cause to be called befoze them the saied inhabitauntes and officers, to whom they haue directed their saied preceptes, and which had in commaundement there to appere by the saied precepte of the saied commissioners: And if any person so warned, make defaulte, vnlesse he then be letted by sicknesse or lafull excuses, and that let than to be witnessed by the othes of two credible persons: or if any apperyng refuse to bee sworn in forme folowyng, to forfeite to the kyng fortye shyllynges: And so at euery time duryng the saied two yerres prefixed for the same cause, vnto suche tyme the nombze of euery suche persons haue appered and certified in forme vnder wryten: and euery of them so makyng defaulte, or refusyng to be sworn, to forfeite to the kyng fortye shyllynges: and vpon the same apperaunce had, one of the most substantiall inhabitauntes or officer, so there beyng warned and apperyng befoze the saied commissioners, shall be sworn perely duryng the saied two yerres vpon a boke openly befoze the commissioners in fourme folowyng.

I shall truly enquire with my felowes, that shall bee charged with me, of the hundred wapentake warde towne or other place, of the best and moste value of the substance of euery person, dwellyng & abidyng within the lymittes of the places that I and my felowes shall be charged with, and of other whiche shall haue his or their moste resorte vnto any of the saied places, and chargeable with any some of money by this acte of this saied subsidie, and of all other articles, that I shall be charged with, touchyng

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chyng the saied acte, and accordyng to the entent of the same: and ther by-
pon, as nere as it maie oꝝ shall come to my knowlage, truly to pꝛesente
and certifie befoꝛe you the names surnames and the beste and bittermoste
substaunce and values of euery of theim, as well of landes and tenemen-
tes and other hereditamentes possessions and pꝛofyttes relited in the saied
acte, as of goodes cattalles dettes and other thynges chargeable by the
saied acte, without any concelement fauour loue affection dreade feare oꝝ
malice, so helpe me god and the holy contentes of this boke.

And euery other person, that shal appere there yerely by the saied pꝛe-
ceptes, shal make lyke othe, and vpon the oth so taken as is befoꝛesaid
by thynhabitaunce and officers of euery hundred warde wapentake town
oꝝ other place, the saied commissioners shal yerely openly there reade oꝝ
cause to be red vnto theim, the saied rates, and openly declare the effect of
their charge vnto theim, in what maner and foꝛme they ought and shulde
make their certificates accordyng to the rates and summes thereof aboue
saied, and of all maner of persons as wel of aliens and straungers denys-
sens oꝝ not denysens, inhabited within this realme, as of suche persons as
be boꝛne within the kynges obeyssaunce chargeable to this act, and of the
possessiōs goodes and cattalles of fraternitees guildes coꝛpozaciōs bꝛo-
therhedes misteries and comminalties and other, as is aboue saied: and
of persons beyng in the parties of beyonde the sea, haupng goodes oꝝ cat-
talles landes oꝝ tenementes within this realme, as is befoꝛe saied: and of
all goodes beyng in custodie to the vse of any other, as is abouesaid: By
the whiche information and shewyng the saied persons shal haue suche
playne knowlage of the true entent of this pꝛesent acte, and of the maner
of their certificate, that the same persons shal haue no reasonable cause
to excuse them by ignorance. And after such othes, and the statute of the
saied subsidie, and the maner of the saied certificat to be made in wꝛytyng
conteynyng the names and surnames of euery person, and whether he bee
boꝛne without the kynges obeyssaunce oꝝ within, and the best value of e-
uery person in euery degree, as well of yerely value of landes and tene-
mentes and such like possessions and pꝛofytes, as the value of goodes and
cattalles dettes and euery thyng to their saied certificat requisite and ne-
cessarie to theim declared: the saied commissioners there beyng, shal by
their discrecions appoynte and limite vnto the saied persons an other day
and place to appere befoꝛe the saied commissioners, and chargeing the saied
persons, that they in the meane tyme shal make diligente inquitie by all
wayes and meanes of the pꝛemisses, and then and there euery of them by-
pon peyne of forfaiture of .xx. shillinges to the kyng, to appere at the saied
new pꝛescribed daie and place, there to certifie vnto the saied commissioners
in wꝛytyng, accordyng to their saied charge, and accordyng to the true en-
tent of the saied graunte of subsidie, and as to theim in maner afoꝛesaid
hath ben declared and shewed by the commissioners. At whiche daye and
place so to theim pꝛescribed, if any of the saied persons make default, oꝝ ap-
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pere and refuse to make the saied certificat: that then euery of them so offendyng, to so, faite to the kyng for tie shillynges: Excepte onely a resonable excuse for his default by reason of sickenes or otherwise by the othes of two credible persons there witnesssed be had. And of such as appere redy to make certificat, as is aforesaid, the saied commissioners their bepng shal take and receiue the same certificat & euery part therof, and the names values and substaunce of euery person so certified. And if the same commissioners see cause reasonable, they shal examine the saied presentours thereof: and therbypon the saied commissioners at the saied daies and place by their agreement among them selves shal yerely during the said two yeres, openly there pefixe a daie at a certayn place or places within the limittes of their commission by their discrecion, for their further procedyng to the saied assellyng of the same subsidie. And therbypon at the saied daie of the saied certificat (as is beforesaid) taken, the same commissioners shal make their pcepte or pceptes to the constables subconstables bailiffes or other officers of suche hundredes wapentakes townes or other places aforesaid, as the same commissioners shalbe of, comprising and contenting in the same pcept the names and surnames of all persons presented befoze them in the saied certificats: of whome, yf the saied commissioners or as many of them as shalbe therunto appoynted by the kynges commission, shall than haue vehement suspecte to be of moze greater value or substaunce in landes goodes cattalles or summes of money owyng to them, or other substaunce beforesaid, then vpon suche person or persons shalbe certified, the same commissioners shall make their pcept or pceptes directed to the constable bailiffes or other offycers, commanding the same constables bailiffes and other officers, to whome such pcepte shall be directed, to warne suche persons, whose names shalbe comprised in the saied pcept, at their mancions or to their persons, that the same persones named in suche pceptes and euery of them, shal personally appere befoze the saied commissioners at the same newe pefixed day and place, ther to be swozne and examined by all waies and meanes by the saied commissioners of their greattest substaunce and beste value, and of all and euerye summes of money owyng to them, and other what so euer matter concernyng the premilles or any of them, acco:dyng to this acte. At whiche day and place so pefixed, the saied commissioners than there being, or as many of them as shalbe therunto appoynted by the kynges commission, shal cause to be called the saied persons, whose names shal be comprised in the saied pcept, as it is befoze said, for their examinacion. And if any of these persons, whiche shoulde be warned, as is beforesaid, to be examined whiche at any tyme after the warnyng, and befoze the pefixed daie, shalbe within suche place, where he maie haue knowlage of his saied apparaunce to be made, make defaulte and appere not, onelesse a resonable cause, or elles a resonable excuse by the othes of two credible persons befoze the saied commissioners be truly alleged for his discharge: that than euery of them

them so making default, to be taxed & charged to the kyng with and at the double summes of the rate that he shulde oꝝ oughte to haue ben set at foꝝ and after the best value of his landes oꝝ substance vpon hym certified, if he had appere, by the discretion of the commissioners there beynge. And in lyke maner if any of them suspected, as is beforesaid, appere, and refuse to be sworne in fourme folowynge: than every such offender to be taxed and charged to the kyng with and at the double summe of the rate that he shulde oꝝ oughte to haue ben set at, foꝝ and after the best value of his substance vpon hym certified by the said persones that made the certificate as is beforesaid, by the discretions of the commissioners there than beynge, and every of the persons so there and then apperyng, whose names shall be expressed in the said precepte oꝝ preceptes, and in whom any beheiment suspecte was oꝝ shalbe had in fourme abovesaid, shall traueill with the same person so suspecte, by all suche waies and meanes they can. And further the said commissioners, oꝝ as many of them as shall be here vnto appoynted by the said commission, by their discretions shall openly shewe the same person in this maner and fourme folowynge.

I shall faithfully truly and plainly, accordyng to my knowlage shewe vnto you the kynges commissioners, and to other by you assigned, the best and greatest value oꝝ aboue of all myne perely profittes in landes tenementes rentes oꝝ suche other lyke possessions, perely profit and fee, and the best and greatest value of all my goodes & rattals, and summes of money to me owynge, accordyng to the graunt of this act of Subsidie, and truly answer to that I shalbe examined of, touching the premisses, without couyn oꝝ disceite, so helpe me God and the holy contentes of this booke.

AN D yf any person that shuld appere be excused in fourme abovesaid by wytnes of credible persons, the same persons shalbe examined by their othes of his oꝝ their greatest and beste value and substance so lackynge and excused, and by the beste of their certificat oꝝ knowlage, oꝝ of the oꝝther fyfte certificate vpon hym oꝝ them made, the same person so lackynge and excused of his apparaunce to be set and rated by the said commissioners, oꝝ otherwyse to be set and rated in this case as shall seme beste by the discretions of the said commissioners. And yf it happen to be proued by wytnes, his owne confession, oꝝ other lawefull waies oꝝ meanes, within one yere after any suche othe made, that the same person so taxed and sworne, was of any greater oꝝ better value in landes goodes oꝝ other thynges aboue specified, at the tyme of his said othe, then the same person so sworne dyd declare vpon his othe, That then suche person so offendynge, shall lose and forsaite to the kyng four tymes so muche in lawfull money of Englande, as the same person so sworne was set and taxed at to pape foꝝ the said subsidie.

AN D that every spiritual person, durynge the said two yeres, shall be rated and set accordyng to the rate abovesaid, of and foꝝ every pound

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that the same spirituall person: or any other: to his vse hath by discent bargayne or purchase in fee simple fee tayle terme of lyfe terme of yeres, by execution by warde by copie of court rolle or at wpll, in any manours landes tenementes rentes seruices offices fees corrodies annuities or hereditamentes, after the true iuste and petyly value thereof, after and accordyng as other the kynges subiectes bozne within this realme be charged in forme aboue remembred: Soo that it extende to the petyly value of twenty shillynge or aboue. And if any person, certified or rated by vertue of this acte, be he commissioner or other, to any matter of value, doth fynde him selfe greued with the same presentment lessyng or taryng, and therupon complayne to the commissioners, befoze whom he shall be rated sessed or taxed, or befoze two of them, that then the said commissioners shall by all waies and meanes examine particularly and distinctly the person so complainant, and other his neighbours, by their discrecion of euery his landes and tenementes aboue specified, and of euery his gooddes cattalles and dettes aboue mentioned: And after due examination and perfecte knowlage therof had and perceiued by the said commissioners, whiche shall haue power by auctoritee aforesaid: the said commissioners or two of them, to whom any suche complaint shall be made by their discrecions, vpon the othe of the said person so complayning, maie abate defalke encrease or enlarge the same assessement, acco dyng as it shall appere to them iuste vpon the said examination, and the same summe so abated defalked encreased or enlarged by them, to be streated in forme as hereafter ensueth, so that he come befoze the estreates of the said assessyng be deliuered by the said commissioners into the kynges Eschequer. And if it be proued by witnesse, his owne confession, or other lausful wayes or meanes within a yere after any such othe made, that the same persone so taxed and sworne, was of any greater or better value in landes gooddes or other thynges aboue specified, at the tyme of his said othe: than the same person so sworne, dyd declare vppon his said othe: that then euery suche person so offendyng shall lose and forfeite to the kyng foure tymes so muche in lausful monie of England, as the same person so sworne was sette at or taxed to paye. And all persons sette rated and taxed as is aforesaid, shall be bounde and charged by the same. And the summe or summes vpon him sette to be due towarde the payement of the subsidie, and to be leuied as hereafter shall be specified.

¶ AND it is also enacted by the said auctoritie, that euery person petyly during the said two yeres, as is aforesaid, be rated taxed and sette, at the summe on hym sette to be leuied at suche place, where he and his family at the tyme of the same presentment to be made, shall kepe his house or dwellyng, or where he then shall be mooste conuersaunt abidyng or resiant, or shall haue his mooste resozte, and shall be best knownen at the tyme of the sayde certificat to be made, and no where els. And yf any person chargeable to this acte, at the tyme of the sayde assessyng happen to be out of this

this realme, and out of Wales, or farre frome the place where he shall be knowen, then he to be sette where he was last abydyng in this realme, or within Wales, and beste knowen, and after the substance value and other profites of euery persone knowen by the examination certificat and other maner of wise, as is aforesaid, the said commissioners, or as many of them as shall be appoynted by the kynges commission, shall after the rate aforesaid sette and take euery persone accordyng to the rate of substance and value of landes gooddes and other profittes, whereby the greatest and most best summe, accordyng to his mooste substance by reason of this acte, might be sette or tared.

PROVIDED alwaies that euery suche person, which shall be set or tared for payement of and to this subsidie for and after the verely value of his landes tenementes or other reall possessions or profittes in any of the said two yerres, shall not be set and tared for his gooddes and cattals or other moueable substance in the same yere. And he that shall be charged or tared for the same subsidie for his gooddes cattals and other mouables in any of the said two yerres, shall not bee charged tared or chargeable for his landes or other reall possessions or profittes abouesaid in the same yere: Nor that any person be double charged for the said subsidie, neither set or tared at severall places by reason of this acte, any thyng contained in this present acte not withstanding.

AND that it be ordeined by the said auctoritee of this presente parliament, that no person hauyng two manacions or two places to resorte vnto, or callyng hym selfe householde seruant or waityng seruaunt to the kynges highnesse, the Queene, the prince, or other lord or ladye, mayster or maistres, be excused vpon his sayyng from the tare of the said subsidie in neither of the places where he maie be sette, onlesse he byyng a certificat in writyng from the commissioners, where that he is so set in dede at one place. And if any happen to be sette in two places, vpon certificat therof made the beste and mooste summe vpon him so tared to be taken and abide, and the other to be discharged, so that the same certificat of his assellyng and payement be made thereof in writyng vnder the seales of the commissioners, or of as many of them as shall be apoynted by the kynges commission: Whiche certificat so made, shall be at all tymes a sufficient discharge for hym and the collectour of the same, as well against any collectour that shall demaunde the same vpon him rated or tared, as against the kyng and all other persons. And if any person that ought to be sette by reason of his remouyng or resortyng to two places, or by reason of his sayyng that he elles where was tared, or by reason of any priuiledge by his dwelling or abydyng in any place, not beyng forpyled in this acte, or any otherwise by his coun or crafte happen to escape from the verely assellyng, and be not sette, and that proued by presentment examination or information before the said commissioners, or as many of them as shall bee by the same commission appoynted, or by the barons of the kynges eschequer, or two

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Justices of the peace of that countreie, where suche personne dwelleth: then every suche person, that by such meanes or otherwise wilfully by covyn shall happen to escape from the assessynge of the saied subsidie, or of any of theim, and not be rated taxed and sette, shall be charged upon the knowlage and p[ro]ofe thereof with and at the double value that he shuld, or ought to have been sette at afoze, acco[rd]yng to his behavoure: the same double value to be leuied gathered and paid of his gooddes and cattails landes and tenementes towarde the saied subsidie: and further to be punished, acco[rd]yng to the dyscretions of the barones Justices or commissioners, befoze whome he shall be convicted for his offence and disceite in that behalfe.

AND be it further enacted by th[is] aucto[ri]tee aforesaid, that the kynges maiestee shall specially name and appoynt thre or two persones and commissioners of and in every commission in every shire, which thre or two so to be named by the kynges highnesse, shall be rated sette and rated befoze the lord Chauncellour of England, lord treasourer of England, and lord president of the counsaile, or two of theim, or suche thre or two persons as his highnes shall therto name and appoint, and the names of the said thre or two persons of every commission so sette rated and selled befoze the saied lord Chauncellour, lord Treasourer, lord president, or suche other as is aforesaid, with the summes and rates of the same, shall be perely durynge the said two yerres, certified and estreated with the rates and summes to be certified estreated and paid for or by the lordes of this realme in suche sorte maner and forme as is or shall be by this acte appoynted for the same lordes, and shall be perely durynge the saied two yerres gathered leuied and accompted for by the collectours of the summes rated sette and taxed upon the saied lordes.

AND further be it enacted by the aucto[ri]tee aforesaid, that the saied thre or two commissioners of every commission, by the kynges highnesse to be specially named as is aforesaid, shall have full power and aucto[ri]tee by a speciall clause to be contained in every suche commission, and by aucto[ri]tee of this act, to sette rate and selle every other commissioner joyned with them in every suche commission, for their gooddes landes and the other premises as is abovesaid: by the which said commission the saide thre or two commissioners, so to be specially named, shall indifferently set rate and selle the residue of the saied commissioners. And that as well the summes upon every of the said commissioners so selled rated and taxed by the saied thre or two commissioners, specially named by the kynges highnes, as the summes made and presented by the presentours sworn, as is abovesaid, shall be written certified sette and estreated, and the estretes thereof to be made with other the inhabitauntes of that parties within the limites of the same commission: and so to be gathered and leuied in like maner as it ought or shoulde have ben, if the saied commissioner had not been in the saied commission of the same place where he so dwelleth.

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And further it is enacted by the said auctorite, that the same thre or two persons in every commission to be specially named, as is aforesaid, shall take a coppyall of the before the said lord Chancellor, lord treasurer, lord president or other, as is aforesaid, or before two of them at the least, that they and every one of them for hym selfe, shall iustly and truly without malice fauour, mede or pfection, or corruption sette take and lesse every other commissioner, or named with them in their commission, accordyng to the tenour of this present acte.

AND that every commissioner assigned and deputed in every shire accordyng to this acte, for the orderynge, taxynge, ratynge and leuyng of this subsidie, as is abovesaid, dwelling within the precinct and limit of his commission, for his owne substance in landes and goodes aboue mentioned, shall be seised taxed valued and rated verely durynge the said two yerres, by the examinacion, taxation and lessyng of suche thre or two of the same commissioners to be thereto assigned and auctorized by the said commission, after suche value for their goodes and landes, as is mencioned in this acte.

AND that all persons of the estate of a baron or barons, and every estate aboue, shall be examined and charged of their fretholde and values, as is aforesaid, before the chancellor treasurer of Englande and lord pryue seale for the tyme being, or other persones by the kinges auctorite to be limited, and they to be charged verely durynge the said two yerres, after the fourme of the said graunt, accordyng to their examinacion aforesaid. And the summes vpon them sette, with the names of the collectours appoynted for the gathering and payeing of the same, be extreated deliuered and certified at daies and places aboue specified by the said chancellor treasurer and lord pryue seale for the tyme being, or suche other persons as shall be limited by the kinges hignesse. And after the taxes and assesses of the said summes vpon and by the said examinacion and certificat (as is aforesaid) made, the said commissioners, or as many of them as shall be therunto appoynted by the kinges commission, before the said laste daie of Marche, by the wytyng extreated of the said taxer therof vnder the seales and signes manuell of the said commissioners, or of as many of them as shall be appoynted at the leaste to be made, shall be deliuered vnto sufficient and substantial inhabitautes constables subconstables bailiffes and other officers to wntly of hundredes townes parishes and other places aforesaid within their limittes, or to other sufficient persons inhabitautes of the same, only by the discrecion of the same commissioners, and as the place and parties shall require, as well the particular names and surnames as the remembraunce of all summes of money taxed and set of and vpon every person as wel man as woman chargeable to this acte: householder and all other inhabitautes and dwellars within the said parishes townes and places contributory to this acte of subsidie. By auctorite of whiche wytyng or estreate so deliuered to the

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saied officers oꝝ other persons so named and deputed severally, shal haue full power and auctorite by vertue of this acte, immediately after the deliuerie of the saied writyng oꝝ estreate, to demaunde leuie and gather of euery persone therein specified the summe oꝝ summes in the same writyng oꝝ estreate comprised: And foꝝ non payement therof to distraine the same person oꝝ persons so beynge behynde by their goodes and cattals, and the distresse so taken, to kepe by the space of eight daies at the costes and charges of the owner therof. And if the saied owner doo not paye suche summe of money as shalbe taxed by this acte within the same eight daies, than the saied distresse to be apprysed by foure thye oꝝ two of the inhabitantes where suche distresse is taken, and also to be sold by the saied constable and other collectour foꝝ the payement of the saied money, and the ouerplus comyng of the sale and keepyng therof (if any be) to be immediately restoyed to the owner of the same distresse. Whiche saied officers and other persons so deputed to aske take gather and leuie the saied summes, shal answer and be charged foꝝ their poꝝtion onely to theim assigned oꝝ limited to be gathered leuied and comprised in the saied writyng oꝝ estreate, to theim as is befoze saied deliuered, vnto the vse of our soueraigne lord the kynge his heires and successours, and the saied summe in that writyng oꝝ estreate comprised, to paye vnto the high collectour oꝝ collectours of that place, foꝝ the collection of the same in maner and forme vnder written, therunto to be named and deputed, and the same inhabitants and officers so gatherynge the same particuler summes foꝝ their collection therof, shal receyue foꝝ euery .xx.s. so by them receiued and paid .ii.d. and that to be allowed at the payement of their collection by theim to be made to the highe collectour oꝝ collectours.

AN D further be it enacted by the saied auctoritee of this pꝛesent parliament, that the saied commissioners, oꝝ the moꝛe parte of theim, as shal take vpon them the execution and busynesse of the saied commission, shal pꝛely duryng the saied two yeres, namee suche sufficient and able persons, whiche than shal haue and possede lande oꝝ other hereditamentes in their owne right of the pꝛely value of ten pounde, oꝝ goodes to the value of C. marke at the least. And the same persons severally by the discretions of the same commissioners in thire ridynges lathes wapentakes rapes citiees townes corporate and other what so euer places, as wel within places privileged as without, not beynge comprised in this acte, to bee highe collectours and haue the collection and receipte of the saied summes, set and leuiable within the pꝛecincte limittes and boundes where they shal bee so limited to gather and receiue, to euery of the whiche collectours so severally named, the saied commissioners, oꝝ two of them at the lest pꝛely duryng the saied two yeres, befoze the laste date of februarye, oꝝ within .viij. daies next after the saied hole summe of the saied subsidie be set by all the limittes of the same their commission, oꝝ in suche limittes as the highe collectours shalbe so severally assigned, shal vnder their seales and signes manu-

manuell deliver one estreate in parchment to every of the same high collectors; comprising in it the names of all such persons as were assigned to lewie the said particular summes, and the summes of every hundred wapentake towne or other place aforesaid, with the names and surnames of the persons so chargeable according to the estreat so first thereof made (as is before said) delivered unto the collector so to be assigned; shall be charged with evenly, concordant and agreeing unto the hole summe comprised in the said estreat limited to his collection, as is aforesaid.

PROVIDED alwaies, & bee it enacted by the auctorite aforesaid, that the said commissioners, having auctorite by this acte to name and nominate the said highe collectors of the said subsidie, yerely duringe the said two yerres, shall immediately upon their nomination and election take by auctorite of this present parliament, sufficient recognisaunces or obligacions, without any fee or reward to be paid therfoze of every persone so by them to be named to be highe collector, to be bounden to the king in the double summe of the summe of his collection, and to be endozed and made upon suche condicion, that if the said collector, his heires or executors do truly content and paie to the vse of the king, his heires or executors in his receipt of his eschequer before the first date of Aprill than next ensuyng, so muche of the said summe of money allotted and appointed to his collection as he shall collect and gather: and content and paie the residue of his collection and charge within one moneth next after suche tyme as he hath gathered and collected the same residue: That then the said recognisaunce or obligacion to be voyde, or els to stande in his full strength and vertue, whiche recognisaunce or obligacion so taken, the said commissioners shall certifie and delivur into the kynges eschequer, with the certificate of the said taxaciton and rate of the said subsidie, at and by the tyme to them prescribed and appoynted by this acte, upon paine of forfaiture of .x. li. to the kyng for every recognisaunce or obligacion not certified. And that every suche collector so elected named and chosen upon request to him made, shall knowlage and make the said recognisaunce or obligacion, upon like paine and forfaiture of .x. li. to the kyng for the refusal therof: and every suche collector, so yerely deputed, having the said estreate in parchment, as is aforesaid, shall have auctorite by this acte, yerely duringe the said two yerres, to appoynte daies and places within the circuit of his collection for the paiement of the said subsidie to hym to be made, and therof to geve warning by proclamation or otherwise to all the said constables or other persons or inhabitantes having the charge of the particular collection within the hundredes parishes townes or other places by hym or them limited, to make payment for their said particular collection of every summe as to them shal apperteyne: and if at the said daie and place so limited and prefixed by the said collector, the said constables officers or other persons or inhabitantes (as is before said) for the said particular collection appoynted and assigned

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igned within suche hundred: citie towne or other place; do not paie: vnto the saied collectours the summe within their seuerall hundredes: townes parishes and other places due and compysed in the saied estreats therof to them deliuered by the saied commissioners: or some of them; as is beforesaid; or so muche therof as they haue by any meane receiued: the of euery pounce for the saied particular collection; as is beforesaid; alwaies to be therof allowed excepted and abated: and than it shall bee lawfull to the saied highe collectours and euery of them; and to their assignes to distreigne euery of the saied constables officers and other inhabitants for their saied seuerall and particular collection of the saied summes compysed in the saied estreate and writyng therof; to them and euery of them; as is befoze expessed deliuered; or for so muche of the same summe as so than shall happen to be gathered and leuied; and behynde and vnpayed; by the gooddes and cattals of euery of them so beyng behynde; and the distresse so taken; to be kepte appreyed and solde as is aforesaid. And therof to take and leuie the summe so than beyng behynde and vnpayed; and the ouerplus comyng of the sale of the saied distres (if any be) to bee restoyred and deliuered vnto the owner in forme aboue remembred.

PROVIDED alwaies; that no person inhabiting in any citie borough or towne corporate; shall be compelled to be assessor or collectour of or for any parte of the saied subsidie; in any place or places out of the saied citie borough or towne corporate; where he dwelleth.

AND it is also by the saied auctoritee enacted; that yf any inhabitaunte or officer; or what so euer persone or persons charged to and for the collection or receipt of any part or porcion of the saied subsidie; in any of the saied two petes; by any maner of meane; accordyng to this act; or any person or persons for them selues; or as keeper gardian depute factour or attourney of and for any other person or persons; of any gooddes and cattalles; and the owner therof at the tyme of the sayed assessyng to be made; beyng out of this realme; or in any other parties not knownen; or of and for the gooddes and cattalles of any other person or persons of any corporacion fraternitee guylde misterie or other what so euer comminalte; beyng in corporate or not in corporate; and al persons hauing in their rule gouernance or custodie any gooddes or cattalles at the tyme of the saied assessyng; or any of them to be made; or whiche for any cause; for and by collection or for him selfe; or for any other; or by reason that he hath the rule gouernance or custodie of any gooddes or cattalles of any other person or persons fraternitee guylde corporacion comminaltie or misterie; or any such other lyke; or as factour depute or attourney of or for any person; shall be taxed rated valued and set to any summe or summes by reason of this act; and after the taxation or assessyng vpon any suche persone or persons as shall be charged with the receipte of the same; happen to die or depart from the place where he was so taxed and set; or his gooddes and cattalles be so elained; or in suche priuie and couerte maner kepte; and the saied person or per-

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oꝝ persons charged with the same by extreates oꝝ other wysshing from the
 saied commissioners, oꝝ as many of them as shall be therevnto appoynt-
 ed by the saied commission(as is aforesaid) can ne make leue the same
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 within the lymittes of theyꝝ collection, as is befoꝛe saied, oꝝ can not selle
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 to bee made in the kynges receipte: than vpon relacion therof made with
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 as shal be charged with and foꝛ the receipte and collection of the same, be-
 foꝛe the saied commissioners, oꝝ as many of them as by the saied com-
 mission shall be therevnto appointed, where suche persone oꝝ persons oꝝ
 other, as is aforesaid, their goodes and cattalles were set and tared: and
 vpon plaine certificat therof made into the kynges eschequer by the same
 commissioners, aswell of the dwelling place names and summes of the
 saied persons, of whom the saied summes can not be leuted and had, as is
 beforesaid, then aswell the constables and other inhabitantes appoynted
 foꝛ the particular collection, agaynst the high collectours, as the high colle-
 ctour vpon his accompt in the saied eschequer to be discharged therof, and
 proces to bee made foꝛ the kyng out of the saied eschequer, by the discre-
 cions of the barons of the saied eschequer, agaynst suche person his hei-
 res oꝝ executours, so beyng behynde with his paiement. And ouer that
 the same commissioners, to whome any suche declaration of the pꝛemisses
 shall be made in foure aforesaid from tyme to tyme, shall haue full po-
 wer and auctoritee, durynge the saied two yeres, to directe their pꝛecept oꝝ
 pꝛeceptes vnto the saied person oꝝ persons, charged with any summe, of
 foꝛ oꝝ vpon any such person oꝝ persons oꝝ other as is abouesaid, oꝝ to a-
 ny shireffes stuarde bailiffe oꝝ other what so euer officer minister persone
 oꝝ persons of suche place oꝝ places, where any suche person oꝝ persons so
 owynge suche summe oꝝ summes shall haue landes and teneimentes oꝝ o-
 ther hereditamentes oꝝ reall possessions goodes oꝝ cattalles, whereby any
 suche person oꝝ persons so indebted, his heires executours oꝝ assignes, oꝝ
 other haupng the custodie gouernaunce oꝝ disposicion of any goodes cat-
 talles landes teneimentes oꝝ other hereditamentes, whiche ought oꝝ maie
 by this acte lauefully be distreigned oꝝ taken from the same, hath and shal
 haue goodes cattals landes teneimentes & other possessions, wherof suche
 summe oꝝ summes, whiche by any suche person oꝝ persons made oꝝ ought
 to be leuted, be it within the lymitte of suche commission, where such person
 oꝝ persons was oꝝ were tared oꝝ without in any place within this realme
 of England wales oꝝ other the kynges dominions marches oꝝ territories:
 By whiche pꝛecept as well suche persone oꝝ persones as shall be charged
 to leue suche money, as the officers of the place oꝝ places, where suche di-
 stresser maie be taken, shall haue full power and auctoritee to distreigne e-
 uery suche person indebted charged oꝝ chargeable by this act, oꝝ his exe-
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cutours or administratours of his goodes and cattalles, his gardians factours deputies lessees fermours and assignees and all other persones, by whose handes or out of whose landes any suche person shoulde haue rent fee annuittie or any other profite, or whiche at the tyme of the saied assessynges shall haue goodes or cattalles or any other thyng mouable of any suche persone or persones beyng indebted, or owynge suche summe: And the distresse so taken, cause to be kepte appzeised and sold in lyke maner and forme as is aforesaid for the distresse to be taken vpon persones to be taxed to the saied subsidie, and beyng sufficient to distreigne within the limittes of the collectours inhabitauntes or other officers, charged with or for the same summes so vpon them to be taxed. And if any suche distresse for non paiement happen to be taken out of the limite of the persones charged and assigned to leuie the same, the persones so charged for the leuie of euery suche summe by distresse, shall perceue and take of the same distresse for the labour of euery person goyng for the execution thereof, for euery myle that any such person so labourerth for the same. ii. d. And euery fermour tenaunt gardian factour or other what so euer persone beyng distreigned or otherwise charged for paiement of any suche summe or summes, or any other summe by reason of this act, shalbe of suche summe or summes of hym or them so leuied and taken discharged and acquitted at his next date of paiement of the same, or at the deliuerie of suche goodes and cattalles, as he that is so distreigned had in his custodie or gouernance, agaynst hym or them that shal be so taxed and sette: any graunt or writynge obligatorie, or other what soo euer mattier to the contrarye made heretofore notwithstandinge. And yf any suche personne, that shoulde be so distreigned, haue no landes or tenementes sufficient, whereby he or his tenauntes and fermours maie be distreigned, or hath eloynd aliened or hydde his goodes and cattals, wherby he shoulde or myght be distreigned, in suche maner, that suche goodes and cattalles shall not be knowen or founde, so that the summe of or by hym to be paid in the saied forme, shal ne can be conueniently leuied: than vpon relacion thereof vnto the commissioners, or to as many of them as by the said commission shal be ther vnto appoynted, where suche person or persons was taxed and set by the othes of hym or them that shal be charged with the leuie and paiement of that summe or summes, the same commissioners shall make a precept in suche maner as is aforesaid, for to attache take and arest the body of suche persone or persones that ought to paie the saied summes, and by this acte shall bee charged with and for the same summe or summes: and them so taken saufely to kepe in the prison, within the shire or other place where any suche persone or persons shall be taken and attached, there to remaine withoute baile or mainpryse, vntill he haue paid the summe or summes that suche persons for hym selfe or for any other by this act shall be chargeable or ought to be charged withall, and also for the fees of euery suche arrest to hym or them that shall execute suche precept. xx. d. And that

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that euer officer, vnto whome suche pcepte shalbe directed, do his true diligence to execute the same vpon euer person so beyng indebted, vppon payne to forsaite to our saied soueraigne lord the kyng for euer default in that behalfe, xx. s. And that no keeper of any gayle, from his gayle suffer any suche person to go at large by lettynge to bayle, or otherwise to depart out of his prison, before he haue paid his saied debte, and the saied xx. d. for the saied arrest, vpon payne to forsaite to our soueraigne lord xl. s. and the same gayler to paie vnto our saied soueraigne lord the double value as well of the rate, whiche the said person so imprisoned was taxed at, as of the saied, xx. d. for the fees: And lyke pcesse and remedie in lyke fourme shall be graunted by the saied commissioners, or as many of them as by the saied commission shalbe therevnto appointed, at like subornacion of euer person or persones beyng charged with any summe of money for any other person or persones by reason of the saied subsidie, euer of the saied two yerres, and not thereof paid, but wilfully witholden, ne the same leuiable within the limite where such person was thervnto taxed. And if the summe or summes being behynd payed by any person or persons, as is before saied, be lenied and gathered by force of the saied pcesse to be made by the same commissioners, or if in defaulte or for lacke of paiement thereof, the person or persons so obayng the said summe or summes of money by pcesse of the same commissioners to be made (as is aforesaid) be committed to prison in forme aboue saied: that than the same commissioners, whiche shall awarde such pcesse, shall make certificat therof in the saied Eschequer, of that shalbe done in the pmisses, in the terme next folowynge after suche summe or summes of money so beyng behynde, shall be leuied and gathered, or suche persone or persones for none paiement of the same committed to prison. And if it happen any of the said collectours to be assigned, or any mayre, sheriffe, steward, constables, the hedboroughes, householder, bailiffe, or any other officer or minister, or other what so euer person or persones, to disobey the saied commissioners or any of them in the reasonable request to them made by the saied commissioners for verely execution of the said commission durynge the saied two yerres, or if any of the officers or other persons do refuse that to them shall appertayne or belonge to doo by reason of any pcepte to hym or them to be directed or any reasonable commaundement instance or request touchynge the pmisses, or other defaulte in any apparance or collection to make, or if any person being suspect or not to be indifferently taxed as is aforesaid, doo refuse to be examined accordynge to the tenour of this acte, before the saied commissioners, or as many of them as shall be thervnto assigned, as is aforesaid, or will not appere before the same commissioners vpon warnynge to him made, or els make resistance or rescous vpon any distresse vpon hym to be taken for any parcell of the saied subsidie, or committe any misbehauour in any maner of wise contrary to this acte, or commit any wilfull omission or other what so euer wilfull non doing

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ying or mysdoynge contrary to the tenour of this acte or graunte: the same commissioners, and every number of them above remembred vnto two of them at the least, vpon probable knowlage of any such misdemenours had by information or examination, shal or do set vpon every suche offendour for every suche offence in name of a fyne by the same offendour to be forsaied .xx.s. or vnder, by the discrecion of the same commissioners. And further the saied commissioners, and every numbze of them to.ii. of them at the least, shal haue auctorite by this present parlyament, to punishe every suche offendour by imprisonment, there to remayn and to be deliuered by their discrecion, as shal seme to them conuenient: The saied fynes (if any suche be) to be certified by the said commissioners, that so assessed the same, in to the saied kynges eschequer, there to be leaped and paid by the collectours of that parties for the saied subsidie retourned into the saied Eschequer, to be there with charged with the paiement of the saied subsidie, in suche maner as if the saied fines had been sette and taxed vpon the saied offendours for the saied subsidie.

¶ I T E M also enacted by the sayd auctorite of this presente parlyament, that every of the sayd hyghe collectours, which shal accompte for any part of the saied subsidie in the kynges eschequer, vpon their seuerall saied accomptes to be peld, shal be allowed perely durynge the saied two yeres for every ponde litted to his collection, wher of any suche collectour shalbe charged and pelde accompte .vi.d. as parcell of their sayed charge, that is to saie .ii.d. of every ponde therof for suche persons as then haue had the particular collection in the townes and other places (as is aforesaied) specified in his collection, and other .ii.d. of every ponde therof, every of the saied chiefe collectours there accomptant, to receyue to theyr owne use for their labour and charge in and about the premises, and .ii.d. of every ponde residue to be deliuered allowed and paid by the saied collectours, so beyng thereof allowed, to suche of the commissioners as shal take vpon them the busynesse and labour for and about the premises: that is to saie, every collectour to paie that commissioner or commissioners, whiche had the orderyng and the wytynges of and for the saied subsidie, where the saied collectour or collectours had their collection, for expences of the saied commissioners so takyn vpon them the saied busynesse and labour of their clerkes wytyng the saied preceptes and estreates for the saied collections, the same last .ii.d. of every ponde to be deuided amongst the saied commissioners, hauynge regarde to the labour and busynesse taken by them and theyr saied clerkes in and about the premises. For whiche part so to the saied commissioners attesnyng, the saied commissioners sice fyue fourthe thye or asmany of them as shalbe therevnto appointed by the kynges commission and every of them soynly and seuerally for his or their saied part mate haue his remedie agaynste the saied collectour or collectours, whiche there of been or myghte haue been allowed, by accion of dette, in whiche the defendannt shal not wage his lawe, neither protection in iunction

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or other esoyne shall be allowed.

¶ And that no person now being of the nombre of the company of this present parliament, nor any commissioner shall be named or assigned to be any collectour subcollectour or presentour of the said subsidy, or of any part thereof, nor no commissioners shall be compelled to make any presentment or certificate, other than in the kinges eschequer, of so: or concerning the said subsidy or any parte thereof in any of the said two yerres. And likewise that none other person that shall be named or assigned to be commissioner in any place to and for the execution of this acte of subsidy in any of the said two yerres, be or shall be assigned or named head collectour in any of the same two yerres, of the said subsidy, neither of any part thereof. And that every such person or persons, whiche shall be named and appointed (as is aforesaid) to be head collectors in and for one of the said two yerres, shall not be compelled to be collectour for the other and laste yere: and the said collectors, whiche shall be assigned for the collection of the said subsidy, or for any part thereof, and every of them be and shall be acquitted and discharged of all maner fees rewardes and of every other charge in the kinges eschequer or elles where, of them or any of them by reason of that collection paiement or accomptes, or any thing concerning the same to be asked. And that if any person receive or take any fees rewardes or plesures of any such accountant that than he shall so: fail to the king for every penny or value of penny so taken, he shall suffer imprisonment at the kinges pleasure. And after the taking and assailing of the said yerre subsidy (as is beforesaid) had and made, and the said escheates thereof in parchment vnto the collectors (in maner and forme befoze rehearsed) delivered, the said commissioners, whiche shall take vpon them the execution of this act within the limites of their commission, by their agreementes shall haue metynges together, at whiche meetynges every of the said commissioners, whiche than shall haue taken vpon them the execution of any parte of the said commission, shall by hym selfe, or by his sufficient deputy truly certifie and bring furth vnto the other commissioners, named in the said commission, the certificate and presentment made befoze hym and such other commissioners as were limited with hym in one limite, so that the same certificates may be accompted and cast with other certificates of the other limites within the same commission: and than the said commissioners, and every nombre of them vnto two at the least (as is aforesaid) if they be in life, or their executours or administratours of their goodes if they be than dead, shall jointly and severally as they were devided within their limites vnder their seales yerely duringe the said two yerres, by their discrecion make one or several writynges indented, containing in it as well the names of the said collectors by the commissioners for such collection and accompte in the eschequer and paiement in the said receipt deputed and assigned, as the grolle and several summes written vnto every such collector to receive the said subsidy: and also all fines amerciamentes

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amentes and other forsaitures, if any such by reason of this acte happen to be within the precinct and limitte of their commission, to be certified into the kinges eschequer by the saied commissioners perery during the said two yeres by the saied tenth daie of Marche, in which wrytynge or wrytinges indented, so to be certified, shall be plainly declared and expessed as well the holl and intier summe and summes of the saied subsidie seuerally limited to the collection of the saied collectours, as the names of the saied collectours seuerally deputed and assigned to the collection of the saied summes, so that none of the saied collectours so certified in the saied eschequer, shall be compelled there to accompte or to be charged, but onely to and for the summe limited to his collection, and not to or for any summe limited to the collection of his felowes, but that euery of them shall be seuerally charged for their partes limited to their collection. And if the saied commissioners, ioined in one commission, emonges the selves in that matter can not agree, or if any of the be not redy or refuse to make certificat with other of the same commissioners: that than the same commissioners maie make seuerall indentours (in forme aforesaid) of their seuerall limittes or separacions of collectours within the limittes of theyr commission, vpon and in the hundredes wardes wapentakes lathes rapes or suche other lyke deuisions within their saied seuerall limittes of their commission, as the places there shall require to be seuered and deuided, and as to the same commissioners shall seme to make deuisions of their limittes or collections for the seuerall charges of the same collectours, so that alwaie one collectour shall be charged and accompte for his part to him to be limited onely by him selfe, and not for any summe limited to the part of any of his felowes, and the charge of euery of the collectours to be set and certified seuerally vpon them; and euery suche collectour, vpon his accompte and paiement of the summes of money limited within his collection, to be seuerally by him selfe acquitted and discharged in the saied eschequer, without payng any maner of fees or rewarde to any person or persones for the same, vpon the peyne and penaltie last abouesaid, and not to be charged for any porcion of any other collectours. And if any commissioner after he hath taken certificat of them that (as is aforesaid) shall before any suche commissioner be examyned, and the summes rated and set, and the bookes and wrytynge therof beyng in his handes: or if any collectour or other person charged with any receipte of any part of any of the said subsidie. xv. or x. or any other person rated or otherwise by this acte charged with and for any percell of the saied subsidie, or with any other summes, for fine amerciament penalties or other forsaiture, happen to die before suche commissioner collectour or other what so euer person or persons haue executed accomplished satisfied or sufficiently discharged it, which to euery suche person shall apperteyne or belonge to do, accordyng to this acte: than the executours and heires of euery suche person, and all other sealed of any landes or tenementes that any such person beyng charged by this acte,

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acte, and deceassynge befoze he be discharged therof, oꝛ any other to his vse onely had of estate of inheritauce at the tyme that any suche person was named commissioner, collectour, oꝛ in any other wyse charged with and foꝛ any maner of thyng to be done satisfied oꝛ paid, by reason of this act, and all these that haue in their possessions oꝛ handes any goodes oꝛ cattalles, that were to any suche person at the tyme of his death, landes oꝛ tenementes that were the same persons at the tyme that he was (as is afoze saied) charged by this act, shall be by the same compelled and charged to do and accomplishe in every case as the same person, so beyng charged, shoulde haue done and mighte haue ben compelled to doo, if he had ben in playne life, after suche rate of the landes and goodes of the saied commissioner oꝛ collectour, as the partie shall haue in his handes. And if the same commissioners foꝛ causes reasonable them mouyng shall thynke it not conueniente, to ioyne in one certificat, as is befoze saied: than the saied person oꝛ persons that shall firste ioyne together, oꝛ he that shall fyrst certifie the saied wrytyng indented, as is afozesaied, shall certifie all the names of the commissioners of that commission, wher vpon such wrytynges shalbe there than to be certified, with diuisions of the hundredes wapentakes wardes tithynges oꝛ other places to and amonge suche commissioners of the same commission, with the names of the same commissioners, where suche separacions and diuisions shal be, with the grosse summes of money as wel of and foꝛ the saied subsidie taxed oꝛ set of oꝛ within the saied hundredes wardes wapentakes oꝛ other places to hym oꝛ them diuided oꝛ assigned, that shall so certifie the saied firste wrytyng, as of synes amerciamentes penalties and other foꝛfaitures, if any happen to be within the same limyttes, wherof the same wrytynges shall be certified: and after suche one wrytyng indented, whiche (as is afozesaied) shall be certified, and not conteyne in it the hole and ful summes set and taxed within the limyttes of the same commission, the other commissioners of the same, every of the saied two yeres at the laste daie of Marche yere, oꝛ within eyght daies than next immediately folowynge, shall certifie in to the saied Eschequer by their wrytyng oꝛ wrytynges indented to be made, as is befoze saied, the grosse and seuerall summes set and taxed within the places to theim limited foꝛ the saied subsidie, and other synes amerciamentes penalties and foꝛfaitures, with the names of the hundredes wardes wapentakes and other places to them assigned: oꝛ elles by their saied wrytynges indented to certifie at the saied place by the saied. x. daie of Marche, oꝛ within .viii. daies next folowynge reasonable causes foꝛ their excuses, why they maie not make suche certificate of and foꝛ the saied subsidie, with synes amerciamentes penalties and other foꝛfaitures growynge oꝛ set by reason of the causes of their lettres, oꝛ of their non certifying, as is aboue saied, oꝛ els in defaute therof, pꝛoces to be made out of the kynges eschequer against the saied commissioners and every of them not makynge certificate, as is afoze saied, by the discrecion of the treasurer and barons of the saied eschequer.

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And be it enacted by the kyng our soueraigne lord, by the assent of the lordes spirituall and tempozall, and the commons in this present parliament assembled, and by the auctorite of the same, that as well all suche persons as shal haue any collection or receipt of the saied subsidie and. xv. and. x. or any parte therof at the receiptes of the kynges eschequer or els where in any other place or places within this realme of Englande and Wales, as all other the kynges subiectes shal at all and euery tyme hereafter frome hensforth, and frome the feast of the purification of our lady next ensuyng, by the space of one holle yere nexte folowynge, take and not refuse in any paiemente any ducates crownes crusadowes or any other golde coined in the parties beyonde the sea, beryng their true waight, accordyng to suche value as was limited by the last proclamation thereof made. And if any person hereafter that shal haue the receipt or any collection of the saied subsidie, or of any parte thereof to the vse of our saied soueraigne lord the kyng, at the receipte of his eschequer or elles where in any shire ridyng citie towne or other place, do refuse or denye to take in paiement of the saied subsidie or any parte or parcell therof, golde grotes halfe grotes or pennies or any of them, if any refusell of any suche golde grotes halfe grotes or pennies or any of them be had in the saied receipt or els where, contrary to the proclamation therof made, as is aforesaid, and that proued by witnes informacion examinacion or otherwysse before the kynges iustices of either bench, or before the barons of his eschequer, or any of them: or if any suche refusell of any such gold grotes halfe grotes or pennies or any of them be had by any collector or other person hauyng the gathering of the saied subsidie, or. xv. and. x. or of any part thereof in any shire ridyng citie towne or other place, and that the refusell as is aforesaid be proued by witnes informacion examinacion or otherwysse before any iustices of peace maire bailiffe or other head officer of that shire ridyng citie towne or other place where such refusell is had: than the person or persons that so offered & tended the said gold grotes halfe grotes or pennies or any of them that shalbe so refused in dede, shalbe of that summe so tended and refused quiet and discharged by this acte against our soueraigne lord the kyng, and the other person or persons that refused the same, in like wise as if he had paid the same golde grotes halfe grotes or pennies or any of them, without any bill taile or other discharge thereof to be had or shewed. and the saied receiuours collectors or other person that shal refuse the saied golde grotes halfe grotes or pennies or any of them, shalbe charged with the summes so refused to and againste our saied soueraigne lord in lyke forme as if he had receiued the same summe in dede. And that all and euery other person and persons shal receiue and take the said golde grotes halfe grotes and pennies or any of them, after the rates and value thereof and as the saied golde grotes halfe grotes and pennies or any of them be coined for and nowe current, as well of and by the officers of our saied soueraigne lord, as of euery other person or persons, in all receiptes and paiemente

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paiementes from hense forth to be made oꝛ hadde, vpon paine of imprisonment of euery person refuſyng ſuche goldeſ grotes halfe grotes and penies oꝛ any of theim, oꝛ otherwiſe to be puniſhed by diſcretion of the iuſtices of peace maieres ſhiriffes, bailiffes oꝛ other head officer of euery ſhire citie boꝛough oꝛ towne within this realme.

Prouided alwaies and be it enacted by auctoritee afoꝛeſaid, that the inhabitantes of the pariſhe of ſeinet Martin called Staunfoꝛd baron in the ſuburbes of the boꝛoughe and towne of Staunfoꝛde, on the ſouthe part of the water there called Wellande, which hereafter ſhalbe contributoꝛie to the paiement of this preſent ſubſidie granted to the kinges highnes his heires oꝛ ſucceſſours, ſhalbe aſſeſſed rated and taxed foꝛ this tyme by ſuche commiſſioners, whiche ſhalbe appoynted foꝛ the ratyng and leſſyng of ſuche ſubſidie oꝛ tare within the countie of Lineolne, and ſhall be foꝛ this tyme contributoꝛies and paie the ſaid ſubſidie to the collectour oꝛ collectours, which ſhalbe aſſigned and appoynted foꝛ the leuiyng and gathering of the ſame, with the aldermen and burgeſſes of the ſaid boꝛough and towne of Staunfoꝛd.

Prouided alwaies and be it enacted by the auctoritee afoꝛeſaid, that euery perſone and perſones, hauyng any manours landes tenementes oꝛ other hereditamentes chargeable to the paiement of the ſubſidie graunted to the kynges maiestee by this act, and alſo hauyng ſpirituall poſſeſſions chargeable to his ſaid maiestee by the graunt made by the clergie of this realme in their conuocation, and ouer this hauyng ſubſtaunce in gooddes and cattalles chargeable by this ſaid acte: that than if any of the ſaid perſon oꝛ perſons be hereafter charged aſſeſſed and taxed foꝛ the ſaid manours landes and tenementes and ſpirituall poſſeſſions, and alſo aſſeſſed charged and taxed foꝛ his oꝛ their gooddes and cattalles, that than he oꝛ they ſhalbe onely charged by vertue of this acte foꝛ his oꝛ their ſaid manours landes tenementes hereditamentes oꝛ ſpirituall poſſeſſions, oꝛ onely foꝛ his ſaid gooddes and cattalles, the beſte of all to bee taken foꝛ the kyng, and not to be charged foꝛ bothe oꝛ double charged foꝛ any of theim; any thyng in this acte contained to the contrary notwithstanding.

Prouided alſo that this graunt of ſubſidie, noꝛ any other thyng therein contained, do in any wiſe extend to charge the inhabitauntes oꝛ dwellers within Irelande, Bolloigne and the countie of the ſame, Callais, Hammes Guilnes, and the marches of the ſame, Jerneſey and Garneſey oꝛ any of theim, of foꝛ oꝛ concernyng any manours landes tenementes oꝛ other poſſeſſions gooddes cattalles oꝛ other moueable ſubſtaunce, whiche the ſaid inhabitantes oꝛ dwellers, oꝛ any other to their vſe haue within Irelande Bolloigne the countie of the ſame, Callais Hammes Guilnes oꝛ other marches of the ſame, Jerneſey Garneſey oꝛ in any of theim, of foꝛ oꝛ concernyng any fees oꝛ wages, whiche any of the ſaid inhabitauntes oꝛ dwellers haue of our ſoueraigne lord the kyng foꝛ their attendance and doyng ſeruite to our ſaid ſoueraigne lord in Irelande Bolloigne Callis

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Hamme Gylmes and the marches of the same, Jernese and Garnesey, or in any of them: any thyng in this present acte to the contrary not withstanding.

Provided also that the said graunt of subsidie in fourme abovesaid to be taxed and leuied, nor the said subsidie nor any parte therof in any maner of wise extende or be prejudiciall or hurtfull to the inhabitantes or resiauntes at this present tyme within the five portes corporate, or to any of their membes incorporate, or vnited to the same five portes, or to any of the same five portes, or of or for any parte or persell of the said summes graunted in this presente parliament of the said inhabitauntes now resiauntes or any of them to be taxed set asked leuied or paid for any their landes tenementes goodes and cattalles beyng within the limittes of the said five portes: but that the said inhabitauntes and now resiauntes of the said five portes and theyr membes, and euery of them, be and shalbe of and from the said graunte and paiement of the said subsidie, and of and from euery part and parcel of the same, durynge their resiauncie there and no longer, be in fourme abovesaid acquitted and discharged: any matter or what so euer other thyng in this present acte made or had to the contrary not withstanding.

Provided also that this present act of subsidie, ne any other thing therein contained extende to any of the englishe inhabitantes or resiauntes in any of the counties of Northumberland Cumberlande Westmerlade the towne of Barwik the towne of Newcastle vpon Tyne and the bishoprike of Durham, nor to any of them, of for or concerning any manours landes tenementes or other possessions goodes cattals or other moueable substance whiche the same inhabitauntes or dwellers or any other to their vse, haue within the said counties of Northumberland Cumberlande Westmerlande or the towne of Barwik, the towne of Newcastle vpon Tyne, or the bishoprike of Durham or any of them, or of for or concerning any fees or wages, whiche any of the same inhabitauntes or dwellers haue of our soueraigne lord the kyng for their attendaunce and doing seruice to our said soueraigne lord the king for the said counties of Northumberland Cumberlande Westmerlande the towne of Barwik the towne of Newcastle vpon Tyne and the bishoprike of Durham or in any of them, to or for the said taxynge leuynge gatherynge or paiement: but that the englishe inhabitauntes and resiauntes and euery of them, of the said counties bishoprike and townes and of euery of them, shalbe of and from the said subsidie and of euery parcel therof, of and for their manours landes tenementes fees and wages goodes and cattalles lyng and beyng in the same counties townes and bishoprike or any of them, vtterly acquitted and discharged, any thyng in this present act befoze reherled to the contrarie notwithstanding.

Provided also, that al letters patentes granted by the kinges highnes or any of his most noble progenitours, to any cities boroughes or townes within

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with this realme, of any maner of libertie priuileges or exemptions fro the burdaine and charge of any such grautes of Subsidies, whiche be at this present tyme in force and vailleable, shall remayne good and effectual to the saied cities boroughes and townes hereafter, according to the purportes therof, though the inhabitauntes of the same, shall vpon the great and weighty considerations of the kynges maiesties great and inestimable charges before exprelled, be for this graunt charged and contributoy in like maner fourme and sojre, as al other cities boroughes and townes, whiche be not in any wyse so priuileged, or frome suche grautes of subsidies excepted.

¶ And where the kynges maiestie vpon great and vrgent causes and considerations mouing his highnes this present yere, did by the aduise of his most honorable counsellours take receiue and leuie of vs his louyng subiectes of our benediction and good willes certayne summes of money, be yng vpon vs the same subiectes according to our habilitie rated set and taxed by certain his highnes commissioners in that behalfe appointed and assigned, and his highnes hath likewise receiued and gathered by waie of anticipacion of vs his louyng subiectes a parte and porcion of the thirde and last part of one other subsidie graunted to his highnes at his graces parliament holden at westminster the xxiii. yere of his most gracious reigne according to such rates taxes and asselmentes as were had made and presented of and for the second part of the saied former subsidie of the whiche saied anticipacion part therof remayneth as yet vnpaid. wherefore be it ordeined & enacted by the auctoritee of this present parliament, that the said beneuolence & anticipacion so set rated taxed charged gathered leuied and paid, or taxed or set to be paid, and al other thynges and actes touchyng or concerning the same beneuolence & anticipacion or any part of theim or of any of them, or the leueng or paiement thereof by any waies or meanes, be and shall be by the same auctoritee iudged demed and taken to be lafull good fyne stable right necessary and expedient to all intentes constructions and purposes: Any matier statute or lawe had or made to the contrary not withstanding.

¶ And be it further enacted by the auctoritee abouesaid, that all and euery such person and persons, whiche now be or hereafter shall be named or appoynted to gather receyue or leuie any part of the saied beneuolence or anticipacion, so sette rated or taxed shall from tyme to tyme distreigne the goodes and cattals as well of al and euery person or persons now set rated & taxed to any paiement of any part of the saied beneuolence or anticipacion, being now vnpaid to his highnes, as the heites and executours of euery of them so set rated or taxed and as yet not paid, and the same goodes and cattalles so distreined, or as muche therof as shall amounte to the sume and value of the saied beneuolence or anticipacion, so charged set or taxed and vnpaid, after the ful end and determinacion of eight daies after the saied distresse so taken, shall and maie sell to any person or persons

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sons as the value thereof extendeth vnto, and to take and receiue so much of the money thereof comyng as shall amount to the saied summe set, rated and taxed and not payed, and the residue and residue thereof after the costes and charges of the saied collectour payed and deducted, to contente and paie to the owner of the saied goodes and cattalles. And that the saied high collectours that haue or shall receiue gather or leuie any part of the saied beneuolence or anticipacion beyng not yet payed by the saied high collectour to suche person or persons as now be or hereafter shall be limited or appointed by the kyng to receiue the same to the kynges vse, shall before the secounde daie of februarye next comyng, or within one moneth next ensuyng the receite thereof, content and paie the same taxacion and assessment to the saied person or persons as he or shall be appointed and assigned by the kinges highnesse to receiue the same to the vse of the kinges maiestee. And that al acquitaunces made and to be made by any such person or persons appoynted or to be appoynted to and for the receite of the saied beneuolence or anticipacion or of any part thereof, shall be by the saied auctoritee iudged and deemed a good and sufficient discharge and acquittal thereof. Any thyng in this present acte contained to the contrary notwithstanding.

Provided alwaies, and bee it enacted by auctoritee aforesaid, that no orphan within the age of .xxi. yerres shall be charged to any paiement of this subsidy for his goodes and cattalles, but onely such as haue in goodes cattalles plate money or sperat debtes to the summe of .xx. li. sterlynges or aboue; any thing in this present acte contained to the contrary thereof in any wise notwithstanding.

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